

Amendments to the Specification:

On page 1, before the first paragraph, please add the following paragraphs:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

1. Field of the Invention

On page 1, between the first and second paragraphs, please insert the following paragraph:

2. Description of the Related Art

On page 2, before the last full paragraph, please insert the following paragraph:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

On page 7, before the first full paragraph, please insert the following paragraph:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

On page 7, please replace the first full paragraph with the following rewritten paragraph:

Exemplary embodiments of the invention will be explained in greater detail below, using the drawings. These show:

Fig. 1: a brush system in cross-section,

Fig. 1a: the retaining handle of the embodiment shown in

Fig. 1,

Fig. 1b: the retaining body of the embodiment shown in
Fig. 1 with the cleaning element surrounding the
retaining body,

Fig. 2: a perspective view of the retaining handle,

Fig. 3 and 4: various geometric configurations of a retaining
body in cross-section,

Fig. 5: the retaining handle in cross-section, to show
how it is bent open.

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following paragraph:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS